## **Title I-A: Improving Basic Programs (Other Plan Provisions)**

- 1111(g)(1)(A) Provide assistance to LEAs/schools using funds for Early Childhood programs
- 1111(g)(1)(C) Support LEAs to improve school conditions for student learning
- 1111(g)(1)(D) Support LEAs in meeting the needs of students at all levels of schooling (particularly MS & HS, effective transitions MS/HS, decreasing risk of students dropping out)
- 1111(g)(1)(E) SEA collaborate with (designated) State Agency responsible for administering State plans ... to ensure the educational stability of children in foster care (also, assurances)
- 1111(g)(1)(F) Support LEAs in the identification, enrollment, attendance, and school stability of homeless children and youths
- 1111(g)(2)(D) the State will participate in the biennial State academic assessments in reading and mathematics in grades 4 and 8 of the National Assessment of Educational Progress
- 1111(g)(2)(E) the State educational agency will modify or eliminate State fiscal and accounting barriers so that schools can easily consolidate funds from other Federal, State, and local sources to improve educational opportunities and reduce unnecessary fiscal and accounting requirements;
- 1111(g)(2)(F) the State educational agency will support the collection and dissemination to local educational agencies and schools of effective parent and family engagement strategies, including those included in the parent and family engagement policy under section 1116
- 1111(g)(2)(G) the State educational agency will provide the least restrictive and burdensome regulations for local educational agencies and individual schools participating in a program assisted under this part
- 1111(g)(2)(H) the State educational agency will ensure that local educational agencies, in developing and implementing programs under this part, will, to the extent feasible, work in consultation with outside intermediary organizations (such as educational service agencies), or individuals, that have practical expertise in the development or use of evidence-based strategies and programs to improve teaching, learning, and schools
- 1111(g)(2)(K) the State educational agency will coordinate activities funded under this part with other Federal activities as appropriate
- 1111(g)(2)(L) the State educational agency has involved the committee of practitioners established under section 1603(b) in developing the plan and monitoring its implementation
- 1111(g)(2)(M) the State has professional standards for paraprofessionals working in a program supported with funds under this part, including qualifications that were in place on the day before the date of enactment of the Every Student Succeeds Act

- (g) OTHER PLAN PROVISIONS.—
- (1) DESCRIPTIONS.—Each State plan shall describe—
- (A) how the State will provide assistance to local educational agencies and individual elementary schools choosing to use funds under this part to support early childhood education programs;
- (B) how low-income and minority children enrolled in schools assisted under this part are not served at disproportionate rates by ineffective, out-of-field, or inexperienced teachers, and the measures the State educational agency will use to evaluate and publicly report the progress of the State educational agency with respect to such description (except that nothing in this subparagraph shall be construed as requiring a State to develop or implement a teacher, principal, or other school leader evaluation system);
- (C) how the State educational agency will support local educational agencies receiving assistance under this part to improve school conditions for student learning, including through reducing—
  - (i) incidences of bullying and harassment;
  - (ii) the overuse of discipline practices that remove (p.46) students from the classroom; and
  - (iii) the use of aversive behavioral interventions that compromise student health and safety;
- (D) how the State will support local educational agencies receiving assistance under this part in meeting the needs of students at all levels of schooling (particularly students in the middle grades and high school), including how the State will work with such local educational agencies to provide effective transitions of students to middle grades and high school to decrease the risk of students dropping out;
- (E) the steps a State educational agency will take to ensure collaboration with the State agency responsible for administering the State plans under parts B and E of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 621 et seq. and 670 et seq.) to ensure the educational stability of children in foster care, including assurances that—
  - (i) any such child enrolls or remains in such child's school of origin, unless a determination is made that it is not in such child's best interest to attend the school of origin, which decision shall be based on all factors relating to the child's best interest, including consideration of the appropriateness of the current educational setting and the proximity to the school in which the child is enrolled at the time of placement;
  - (ii) when a determination is made that it is not in such child's best interest to remain in the school of origin, the child is immediately enrolled in a new school, even if the child is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment;
  - (iii) the enrolling school shall immediately contact the school last attended by any such child to obtain relevant academic and other records; and
  - (iv) the State educational agency will designate an employee to serve as a point of contact for child welfare agencies and to oversee implementation of the State agency responsibilities required under this subparagraph, and such point of contact shall not be the State's Coordinator for Education of Homeless Children and Youths under section 722(d)(3) of the McKinney- Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11432(d)(3));
- (F) how the State educational agency will provide support to local educational agencies in the identification, enrollment, attendance, and school stability of homeless children and youths; and
- (G) such other factors the State educational agency determines appropriate to provide students an opportunity to achieve the knowledge and skills described in the challenging State academic standards.

- (2) ASSURANCES.—Each State plan shall contain assurances that—
- (A) the State will make public any methods or criteria the State is using to measure teacher, principal, or other (p.47) school leader effectiveness for the purpose of meeting the requirements described in paragraph (1)(B);
- (B) the State educational agency will notify local educational agencies, Indian tribes and tribal organizations, schools, teachers, parents, and the public of the challenging State academic standards, academic assessments, and State accountability system, developed under this section;
- (C) the State educational agency will assist each local educational agency and school affected by the State plan to meet the requirements of this part;
- (D) the State will participate in the biennial State academic assessments in reading and mathematics in grades 4 and 8 of the National Assessment of Educational Progress carried out under section 303(b)(3) of the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act (20 U.S.C. 9622(b)(3)) if the Secretary pays the costs of administering such assessments;
- (E) the State educational agency will modify or eliminate State fiscal and accounting barriers so that schools can easily consolidate funds from other Federal, State, and local sources to improve educational opportunities and reduce unnecessary fiscal and accounting requirements;
- (F) the State educational agency will support the collection and dissemination to local educational agencies and schools of effective parent and family engagement strategies, including those included in the parent and family engagement policy under section 1116;
- (G) the State educational agency will provide the least restrictive and burdensome regulations for local educational agencies and individual schools participating in a program assisted under this part;
- (H) the State educational agency will ensure that local educational agencies, in developing and implementing programs under this part, will, to the extent feasible, work in consultation with outside intermediary organizations (such as educational service agencies), or individuals, that have practical expertise in the development or use of evidence-based strategies and programs to improve teaching, learning, and schools;
- (I) the State educational agency has appropriate procedures and safeguards in place to ensure the validity of the assessment process;
- (J) the State educational agency will ensure that all teachers and paraprofessionals working in a program supported with funds under this part meet applicable State certification and licensure requirements, including any requirements for certification obtained through alternative routes to certification;
- (K) the State educational agency will coordinate activities funded under this part with other Federal activities as appropriate;
- (L) the State educational agency has involved the committee of practitioners established under section 1603(b) in developing the plan and monitoring its implementation; (p. 48)
- (M) the State has professional standards for paraprofessionals working in a program supported with funds under this part, including qualifications that were in place on the day before the date of enactment of the Every Student Succeeds Act; and
- (N) the State educational agency will provide the information described in clauses (ii), (iii), and (vii) of subsection (h)(1)(C) to the public in an easily accessible and user-friendly manner that can be cross-tabulated by, at a minimum, each major racial and ethnic group, gender,

English proficiency status, and children with or without disabilities, which—

- (i) may be accomplished by including such information on the annual State report card described subsection (h)(1)(C); and
- (ii) shall be presented in a manner that—
- (I) is first anonymized and does not reveal personally identifiable information about an individual student;
- (II) does not include a number of students in any subgroup of students that is insufficient to yield statistically reliable information or that would reveal personally identifiable information about an individual student; and
- (III) is consistent with the requirements of section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g, commonly known as the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974").

## STAKEHOLDERS: (p. 16)

(aa) parents, teachers, principals, other school leaders, specialized instructional support personnel, State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and the community (including the business community); and

(bb) researchers who are familiar with—

(AA) the implementation of academic standards, assessments, or accountability systems; and (BB) how to meet the needs of disadvantaged students, children with disabilities, and English learners, the needs of low-performing schools, and other educational needs of students;

(II) that include, to the extent practicable, majority representation of individuals who, in the most recent 2 years, have had practical experience in the classroom, school administration, or State or local government (such as direct employees of a school, local educational agency, or State educational agency); and (III) who represent a regionally diverse cross-section of States;

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